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SUBJECT: EXPLOSION AT CASTEL HAITI HOTEL

REF: (A) PORT AU PRINCE 1727, (B) PORT AU PRINCE 1730, (C)
PORT AU PRINCE 1739, (D) STATE 196144, (E) STATE 196152

1. I SHALL DRAW ON UNCLASSIFIED REF (E) TO INFORM INTERIOR SECRETARY BLANCHET (THIS WEEKEND IF POSSIBLE) THAT US AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN ABLE CONFIRM IDENTITY NEXT OF KIN OF MAN NAMED RALPH EVANS HARRINGTON, AND THAT THESE PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED; AND THAT ONLY RECENT PASSPORT ISSUED RALPH EVANS HARRINGTON DATES BACK TO 1968 AND PRESUMABLY NO LONGER VALID. I SHALL ALSO ASSURE HIM THAT FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE CONVEYED TO HIM PROMPTLY AS SOON AS IT CAN BE RELIABLY DEVELOPED.

2. COMMENT: I MUST STRESS IMPORTANCE PROVIDING BLANCHET SOON WITH MORE CONVINCING EVIDENCE THAT USG DISPOSED COOPERATE WITH GOH IN SOLVING MYSTERY HARRINGTON'S ACTIVITIES HAITI. SEE PARA 10 REF (A) AND PARA 8 REF (C). FOR EXAMPLE, IF US AGENCIES HAVE NO RPT NO PRESENTLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION SPECIFICALLY LINKING HARRINGTON TO ANTI-GOH REFUGEE ELEMENTS IN US, I SHOULD BE PROMPTLY AUTHORIZED TO INFORM HIM. IF WE ARE NOT MORE FORTHCOMING BY EARLY NEXT WEEK, BLANCHET AND PRESIDENT DUVALIER WILL UNDOUBTEDLY CONCLUDE EITHER (A) THAT USG UNINTERESTED
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IN COOPERATING WITH GOH INVESTIGATION, AND/OR (B) THAT USG HAS

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GOT SOMETHING HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT TO HIDE.

3. AMBASSADOR ISHAM IS SCHEDULED BEGIN CONSULTATIONS IN DEPARTMENT (ARA/CAR) MONDAY MORNING SEPTEMBER 9. ASSUME HE WILL BE CONSULTED IMMEDIATELY ON THIS MATTER.
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